

NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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RULES COMMITTEE

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A P P E A R A N C E S:

NORMA GONSALVES
Chairwoman

HOWARD KOPEL
Vice Chairman

DENNIS DUNNE

ROSE MARIE WALKER (Not Present)

VINCENT MUSCARELLA (Sitting in for Rose Marie Walker)

KEVAN ABRAHAMS (Not Present)
Ranking

JUDI BOSWORTH (Sitting in for Kevan Abrahams)

JUDY JACOBS

WAYNE WINK

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SHILA SHAH. 7
ROB WALKER. 19
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2 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Rules members
3 please take your seats.

4 I'm going to call the roll.

5 Substituting for Kevan Abrahams, Ranking
6 Member Kevan Abrahams, is Legislator Judi
7 Bosworth. Judy is here.

8 Judy Jacobs?

9 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Here.

10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Wayne Wink?

11 LEGISLATOR WINK: Here.

12 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Howard Kopel,
13 Vice Chairperson of Rules?

14 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Here.

15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Dennis Dunne?

16 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Here.

17 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Substituting for
18 Rose Marie Walker is Legislator Muscarella.

19 And I, Norma Gonsalves, I am here.

20 We have a quorum.

21 First order of business will be to
22 suspend the rules.

23 May I have a motion, please, to suspend
24 the rules? Okay. All right. A second to that.

25 All those in favor of suspending the

2 rules signify by saying aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 Any nays?

5 (No verbal response.)

6 No. The motion carries unanimously.

7 We have several E contracts that have to
8 do with the engineering -- no, Sandy, with Sandy,
9 engineering services related to Sandy. I don't
10 know if we can do this in block. I don't know.
11 You may want to call them separately. This is up
12 to you. Would you like -- yes. Go ahead.

13 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: I just want to say
14 something. There are a few errors that were
15 picked up in addition, and I think maybe on the
16 floor we want to correct what that amount should
17 be.

18 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Okay.

19 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: It's not fatal, but
20 it should be corrected and noted. So we may have
21 to -- we can call them together, but we should
22 take each one.

23 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: I'll put each of
24 them into the record. If there is a comment on
25 any of them, so be it. We will make the

2 corrections.

3 The first contract is E-205-12, with DPW
4 and Gibbons, Esposito & Boyce Engineers.

5 I know you're ready to go.

6 E contract 206-12 with DWP and DeBruin
7 Engineering, P.C.

8 207 -- E-207, contract with -- between
9 DPW and Holzmacher, McLendon & Murrell, P.C.

10 We can discuss them individually, but I
11 think in the interest of time it may be a good
12 idea to just go through with them.

13 E-208, between DPW and Nelson and Pope.

14 E-209 with DPW and Hazen and Sawyer.

15 E-210-12 with DWP and Dvirka & Bartelucci
16 Consulting Engineers.

17 E-212 with DPW and Lockwood Kessler and
18 Bartlett.

19 E-213-12 with DPW and Louis McLean
20 Associates Engineers and Surveyors.

21 E-214-12 with DPW and VHB Engineering,
22 Surveying and Landscape Architect, P.C.,
23 Architecture, P.C.

24 E-215-12 a contract with DPW and Sidney
25 B. Bowne & Sons, LLP.

2 Contract E-216 between DPW and CDM Smith.
3 E-217, DPW and Malcolm Pirnie.
4 E-218-12, contract with DPW and the RBA
5 Group.

6 And E-219, a contract with DPW and
7 Greenman-Pedersen, Inc.

8 E-220-12, a contract with DPW and CSM
9 Engineering, P.C.

10 The last one would be contract E-221-12
11 between DPW and LIRO Engineers, Inc.

12 A motion to put them on the floor?

13 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.

14 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.

15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by

16 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator

17 Nicoletto -- Muscarella, I'm sorry.

18 If there are any questions to ask
19 Commissioner Shah and Mr. Arnold. Okay. Judy,
20 it's yours.

21 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: I'm not going to
22 monopolize all of them. I just wanted to ask --
23 just a general, generic question. Are these all
24 eligible for FEMA funding?

25 COMMISSIONER SHAH: Yes, they are. The

2 contracts that you just named are for the
3 assessments and inspection of all of our
4 facilities, infrastructure, including roads,
5 bridges, traffic, parks, and also to have
6 inspectors monitor our debris management plan.
7 That's all FEMA reimbursable.

8 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Okay. Good. Let me
9 take E-205 and then we'll all, you know. This is
10 a minor change but should be noted.

11 On the impact on funding, this is not --
12 this is the second amendment, correct? This is
13 the second amendment, the \$500,000 here. The
14 total should read \$1,505,443.50.

15 MR. ARNOLD: That's on the Gibbons?
16 That's on the Gibbons amendment?

17 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: That's on the
18 Gibbons, right. So there was an error. There
19 was just an error in computation that was either
20 typing or figuring. It's actually the second
21 amendment that should be changed from first to
22 second.

23 MR. ARNOLD: Okay.

24 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Just so you're aware
25 of that. That's E-205.

2 E-206, the amendment contract language
3 states that there is a \$500,000 increase with a
4 maximum amount of 650,000. But the original
5 contract had a maximum amount of 750,000 and
6 refers to an Exhibit B which is not attached with
7 the original contract.

8 COMMISSIONER SHAH: Okay. We'll change
9 that to 750.

10 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: So the total amount
11 on that one should be \$1,250,000 rather than what
12 it was.

13 MR. ARNOLD: Okay. What consultant is
14 that?

15 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: That one was
16 Debruin.

17 MR. ARNOLD: Okay.

18 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: 207 is fine. Just
19 give us a second.

20 210 is fine.

21 So 208, again, this is technical but I
22 just wanted to make it part of the record. The
23 contract needs to be amended. It needs to
24 include the fact that the term is being extended
25 one year, to December 31, 2013, and the maximum

2 amount section needs to be amended to 650,000. I
3 just wanted you to have that changed.

4 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: I'd just like to
5 refer to 211, and that's with Dvirka &
6 Bartellucci Consulting Engineers. The summary
7 says the increase is \$700,000 but the contract
8 says 500,000. So I just wanted to make sure that
9 the right number is in there.

10 COMMISSIONER SHAH: Okay. We'll modify
11 that.

12 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Thank you.

13 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: 218, that's a
14 contract with RBA Group. The right number should
15 be -- it should read \$1,500,000 and not
16 \$1,250,000.

17 COMMISSIONER SHAH: Okay. We'll take a
18 look.

19 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Just wanted you to
20 know because otherwise we're voting on the wrong
21 figures.

22 Commissioner, we would ask that --
23 Commissioner Shah, we would just ask that you
24 submit to the clerk -- we're going to vote now.
25 But if you could just submit to the clerk the

2 corrected copy, that would be very helpful.

3 COMMISSIONER SHAH: That's not a
4 problem. We'll take a look. If there's -- if
5 these errors are there, we'll make sure we modify
6 them. Sure.

7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Commissioner
8 Shah, our director of finance said that we have
9 the same questions and the counsel says that as
10 well.

11 COMMISSIONER SHAH: That you have the
12 same questions. That's not a problem.

13 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: So the
14 corrections need to be made.

15 COMMISSIONER SHAH: We'll take a look,
16 and we'll modify them.

17 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Thank you.

18 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Okay.

19 I guess we are in favor of those
20 contracts.

21 All those in favor of these contracts
22 that were called and will be modified by the
23 commissioner please indicate by saying aye.

24 (Aye.)

25 Any opposed?

2 (No verbal response.)

3 Motion carries unanimously.

4 These are E contracts for West Shore
5 Road.

6 E-168 and E-171, a motion to un-table
7 these two E contracts?

8 LEGISLATOR WINK: So moved.

9 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Second.

10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
11 Legislator Wink, seconded by Legislator Dunne.

12 E-171 -- we're going to un-table two of
13 them. 168 was just un-tabled. And now we're un-
14 table 171.

15 All those in favor of un-tabling E-171
16 signify by saying aye.

17 (Aye.)

18 They both have to do with the West Shore
19 Road reconstruction.

20 I have to call B-30.

21 Motion to call B-30?

22 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.

23 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.

24 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
25 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator Kopel.

2 Okay. Commissioner.

3 COMMISSIONER SHAH: The contract you
4 want to hear is B-30. That's A.L.A.C. I assume,
5 right?

6 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Yeah.

7 COMMISSIONER SHAH: Is that the A.L.A.C.
8 contract you're looking at?

9 The A.L.A.C. contract is for the
10 reconstruction of the first phase of West Shore
11 Road. As we know, the project was impacted
12 severely by Hurricane Sandy, closing the road to
13 any kind of traffic at this point. Phase 1 will
14 include a section from Cleft Road North, about
15 2,000 linear feet. The construction time period
16 we anticipate for this project has been reduced
17 to nine months, closing the road to all traffic,
18 except for emergency vehicle, delivery vehicles,
19 and residents who live in the area. The duration
20 went from 18 months to approximately nine months
21 now for completion.

22 The other areas that will be addressed in
23 this contract will include those areas impacted
24 by Sandy. So those are in phases 2 and 3 of the
25 project we'll include into phased 1 to make the

2 road safe for travel. So those will be included
3 into phase 1. We will seek reimbursement for all
4 parts of West Shore Road that were impacted by
5 the hurricane.

6 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any questions?

7 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Just one question,
8 through the Chair.

9 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Okay. Legislator
10 Dunne.

11 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Hi. We were going
12 to do West Shore Road. Originally we had it in
13 the plans and we already had a major discussion
14 on redoing it. Now, had we redone it -- you had
15 mentioned a couple weeks ago, a few days ago
16 probably, that the road was devastated. Up to
17 the yellow lines in the middle has been washed
18 away. Your description was pretty good. I had
19 slightly in my mind what you were talking about.
20 But I actually saw it, it's devastating. That is
21 really, really bad. My question is this. Had we
22 acted immediately in the past and fixed that road
23 and then the storm came we would be facing the
24 same problem with that road, probably, right, or
25 no?

2 COMMISSIONER SHAH: The damage by the
3 Hurricane on a road that was reconstructed, I
4 really couldn't tell you what that would have
5 been.

6 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Okay. I think we --

7 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Legislator Dunne,
8 let me tell you something. This road, both
9 myself and Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton, it happens
10 to be in her district because Bayville is her
11 district, but my district is Oyster Bay, which
12 connects to West Shore Road to get to Bayville.
13 This has been something we've been clamoring for
14 for a few years now. The fact that this
15 collapsed shouldn't come as a great shock,
16 because the seawall had literally been washed
17 away already. It probably should have just been
18 closed, period. So the delay definitely has an
19 effect. I can't say what Sandy would or wouldn't
20 have done if it had been done. But I'm telling
21 you it would have been a normal road. This was
22 not a normal road to begin with. So the delay
23 went into a lot of that.

24 LEGISLATOR WINK: Madam Chair, if I may.

25 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: You didn't save

2 money; you could have cost lives.

3 LEGISLATOR WINK: Let's be clear. Let's
4 be clear. We should not be clapping ourselves on
5 the back for the fact that we didn't act on this
6 for so long.

7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Hold on.

8 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: I'm just saying it's
9 --

10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: No, no. Just
11 stop.

12 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: There was a question
13 as to ownership of the property.

14 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Hold on.

15 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: There was never --

16 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Legislator Dunne,
17 did you relinquish the floor to anybody?

18 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: I'm finished with my
19 questions.

20 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Guess what?
21 Legislator Jacobs, have you relinquished the
22 floor to anybody?

23 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Have I relinquished
24 it? No. I don't even want the floor anymore.

25 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Legislator Kopel,

2 you have a comment, please.

3 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Yeah. I really think
4 that we ought to get passed this kind of finger
5 pointing, it's foolish. It's an important
6 project, we agree.

7 There was a while when whether or not it
8 was -- it ultimately proved to be the case, there
9 were some doubts as to the ownership of certain
10 property. There were some doubts that were
11 raised, legal doubts, and they seemed to have
12 resolved those doubts and now it's getting done.
13 It was really to get done a few weeks ago. And
14 it's a good thing. And we're all on the same
15 page. We can fight about it or we can be happy.

16 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: I just asked the
17 chair -- let me just have the floor for a minute.
18 I would just drop it. This has been a county
19 road from time memorial. So in the fact that in
20 one meeting it was decided it may not be a county
21 road, I don't think at this point in time --

22 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: We did not decide
23 that.

24 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: It's not worth
25 discussing. Let's just do it.

2 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Norma, I would never
3 fight with Judy.

4 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: All those in
5 favor of Item B-30 please indicate by saying aye.

6 (Aye.)

7 And E-168 and E-171. All those in favor
8 of the three items indicate by saying aye.

9 (Aye.)

10 Any opposed?

11 (No verbal response.)

12 Okay.

13 We have another item that we're going to
14 un-table, and that's E-129, Tweemyjobs.com. It's
15 an item that has been forwarded by the
16 administration, so I need a motion, please.

17 Motion to un-table, please?

18 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.

19 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.

20 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
21 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator Kopel.

22 All those in favor of un-tabling this
23 item?

24 (Aye.)

25 Everybody's on board with this. To speak

2 on this item is the Deputy County Executive Rob
3 Walker.

4 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: Thank
5 you, Presiding Officer.

6 This item, going back over the past,
7 unfortunately since Super Storm Sandy, we've seen
8 a tremendous amount of people that are
9 unemployed, businesses that no longer can open,
10 people that had master degrees, several of them
11 that we actually met over this weekend, that have
12 two masters degrees, no longer can find
13 employment because their place of business
14 doesn't exist. The Department of Social Services
15 over a period of time advanced the contract for
16 two reasons, one being that we didn't think the
17 time at that time was appropriate in the midst of
18 talking about budgets and potential, you know,
19 downsizing of government. But now, more than
20 ever, we believe this contract's going to help
21 put residents back into jobs.

22 Tweetmyjobs has worked in various states.
23 Very simply put, it will allow us to open up an
24 employment center, where that employment center,
25 every resident from Nassau County can go and

2 actually find every single job listing that's
3 available. And for those who have not seen
4 tweetmyjobs, it actually was on MSNBC, ABC that
5 they've actually done, in other states, been
6 basically their employment opportunities. For
7 people that have smart phones, which will make
8 smart phones available, you could actually lift
9 your smart phone up in the air, point it in the
10 direction, and up on that phone will actually
11 appear all of the jobs that are available in that
12 area for residents. So if they're driving down a
13 street, they're in a neighborhood walking down,
14 you could actually lift your phone up and they
15 will actually be able to say where the jobs are,
16 how they can apply, and who they talk to.

17 Again, it wasn't advanced at that time
18 because we didn't think it was practical. Right
19 now we actually have it funded by 67 percent --
20 65 percent grant funded and the remaining coming
21 from Nassau County. We believe we're also going
22 to seek some federal dollars. The Department of
23 Labor has opened up programs to us to get people
24 back into work after Hurricane Irene. And now
25 they're opening up again that we filed a grant

2 application for Hurricane -- or I should say,
3 Super Storm Sandy.

4 We believe there's no better time now
5 than to put people back to work, try to help them
6 find any type of employment. They are
7 struggling. They want something to do with their
8 day. I'm sure everyone of you have had people
9 impacted in different ways, either had their
10 house destroyed, had their first floor destroyed,
11 or literally don't have a place to go because of
12 their employment.

13 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Mr. Walker, how
14 much is this going to be reimbursed federally?

15 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: 65
16 percent is the minimum. 65 percent reimbursement
17 as we stand here today, which we believe we are
18 going to see, again, with the programs that are
19 being offered in the state to achieve 100 percent
20 grant funding from the programs that have been
21 made available.

22 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
23 questions of Rob Walker? Wayne.

24 LEGISLATOR WINK: Mr. Walker, how are
25 you?

2 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: Good.
3 How are you?

4 LEGISLATOR WINK: So how is this
5 different than monster.com or careerbuilder.com
6 or any other website that has jobs on it?

7 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: The one
8 difference I get is I talk about the phones.
9 It's different from just a normal website. The
10 smart phone capabilities which they have created
11 and having seen the actual experiment and how it
12 works to me is extraordinary. We will make smart
13 phones available. A person can literally walk
14 down the street, hold their phone in the air and
15 it will actually appear on their phone, jobs that
16 are available to them. That's one that other
17 people have not performed.

18 This was done by a competitive RFP, as
19 well. An RFP went out. And tweetmyjobs, which
20 has worked, again, this has been done in other
21 states, California specifically. Upstate New
22 York is looking at the program as well as some
23 other counties. The one difference again, again
24 is the fact that the database that they developed
25 and how they utilize smart phone interaction is

2 very, very rewarding.

3 LEGISLATOR WINK: I can appreciate that,
4 I guess. I guess the question I have is why is
5 government paying for this and why isn't private
6 sector paying for this? If they have the jobs
7 and they're listing on tweetmyjobs -- which, by
8 the way, about three minutes ago I typed in
9 tweetmyjobs.com and it still hasn't loaded. So I
10 don't know what the deal is with the site. Then
11 again, it could be our wireless system. Be that
12 as it may.

13 Most job websites are not paid for by
14 government funds. I'm just trying to figure out
15 why this is something we should be spending money
16 on.

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: Again,
18 we have been asked or requested in the Department
19 of Social Services, in terms of getting people to
20 work, not just during the storm but pretty much
21 throughout the year. We have various education
22 requirements. We're teaching people different
23 skill sets and things of that nature. We're
24 actively trying to find them employment
25 opportunities. Where this comes in is we have an

2 opportune time that we believe we want to provide
3 people with the information, the easiest fashion
4 by which to obtain jobs. It's not happening in
5 other places. People are not finding employment.
6 Some people don't even want to leave their homes.
7 So the more information that we can provide them,
8 they're not going knocking on the door and
9 looking to see where job applications are or
10 where there's openings. They're fearful to
11 leave. By which we can provide resources or
12 providing transportation via the Department of
13 Social Services. The more opportunities we
14 provide them, we want to get them to work. On
15 top of it, it actually will save us money. For
16 those that are on food stamps and other type of
17 temporary needs, temporary assistance, we want to
18 reduce that. We want to have people removed from
19 the welfare rolls and put back into employment
20 opportunities.

21 LEGISLATOR WINK: And I can appreciate
22 all of that. But if they're people who don't
23 want to leave their homes to find a job, how are
24 they walking around with a smart phone then to
25 find close proximity to where these jobs are?

2 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: Because
3 we will actually be setting up job sites, work,
4 for lack of better words, basically forums for
5 them by which to go into their communities, where
6 they can come in. They will actually set up in
7 their neighborhoods, in their schools by which
8 they can go so they're not leaving for two hours
9 or three hours. They can leave for half an hour,
10 go onto the different databases that they'll
11 actually set up, and it will enable them to
12 actually go out and find employment
13 opportunities.

14 Here's a difference, too. The small
15 businesses are closed. So many of them have lost
16 their businesses, maybe never to reopen. So
17 they're not out there looking for employment.
18 They're actually out there trying to actually fix
19 their businesses. So we have a twofold problem.
20 We have people that lost their jobs and we have
21 businesses that no longer will provide job
22 opportunities.

23 So, again, as I said, this contract, the
24 legislature and the county executive, as it went
25 forth, you know, basically stopped it in its

2 track because we didn't think it's the right
3 time. We now believe it is the right time.
4 People are very scared. People are fearful for
5 what they're going do tomorrow. We believe this
6 is an opportunity for them, and to see if it
7 works.

8 LEGISLATOR WINK: Rob, again, I agree
9 with all the goals. They are laudable. What I'm
10 trying to understand is if you have a caseworker
11 at DSS who is sitting with a perspective employee
12 of some, why aren't they going on CareerBuilder
13 or monster or something where jobs are listed and
14 walking people through that process as opposed to
15 referring them to a different website that we are
16 paying for.

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: Most,
18 to be very candid. Most of our caseworkers
19 aren't looking to provide employment
20 opportunities. They really aren't looking to
21 provide employment opportunities. They're
22 helping them get the benefits and things of that
23 nature. Unfortunately, now the flood gates have
24 opened and now you have additional people that
25 really don't have the time. They don't spend a

2 lot of time doing this. We do more resource,
3 education, and providing them with resume writing
4 skills, and things of that nature. This is going
5 to take it to, we believe at this point in time,
6 a new element.

7 Would I agree with you? Yes. We didn't
8 think that government would have to pay for
9 something like this. I think for the 35,000 or
10 \$40,000 that we are anticipating as the max cost
11 of this, I think it's a very worthwhile endeavor.
12 Again, at the end of the year if we don't think
13 it's appropriate and it's not working well, they
14 have the ability by which to not renew the
15 contract and go forward.

16 LEGISLATOR WINK: One detail. In the
17 contract summary it's indicating 100 percent
18 county funded. You're referring to a 65 percent
19 federal reimbursement, but in the contract
20 summary it indicates 100 percent county funded.
21 I'm just thinking if it is, in fact, 100 percent
22 county funded, 111,000 can hire a caseworker to
23 actually sit and go through websites that we're
24 not paying for to help people find jobs.

25 MR. BRODERICK: Paul Broderick, Deputy

2 Commissioner, Department of Social Services.

3 This contract over here, we have a number
4 of contracts that are associated with our
5 employment unit, with various vendors that assist
6 our employment program. This would be
7 encompassed or captured under that. All of those
8 contracts are 65 percent reimbursed under Title
9 20 funds. This will be managed in the same
10 fashion. It isn't as if there is a grant fund
11 set up, but we get reimbursed 65 percent for this
12 cost.

13 LEGISLATOR WINK: Okay. So we know that
14 tweenmyjobs.com is reimbursable the same as any
15 other program that we use.

16 MR. BRODERICK: Right. As Chief Deputy
17 County Executive Walker had said, what the vision
18 is is to have an employment resource center.
19 This is just another resource for -- to bridge
20 the gap between job seekers and those employers
21 who are seeking to hire individuals.

22 One of the benefits of this is that it
23 doesn't cost a business to post a want ad on this
24 site. So it's at no cost to them. That's one of
25 the benefits.

2 LEGISLATOR WINK: Okay. So we're paying
3 for what business would otherwise pay for in job
4 listings. A normal classified ad, whoever places
5 the add pays for it. In this case we're
6 basically asking businesses to put jobs on here
7 and then we're paying for it.

8 MR. BRODERICK: That's correct. Over
9 the last year and a half, DSS, working in
10 collaboration with Minority Affairs, CASA, Office
11 of Community Development, we've had three very
12 successful job fairs; the most recent one was
13 last month or in September. We had over 160
14 employers that we reached out -- they had to come
15 to -- the forum over at the Cradle of Avaition,
16 with at least three jobs a piece.

17 Across industries, different kind of
18 skill sets. We had over about 4,000 participants
19 that came there. We realize that 7.2 percent,
20 you have residents that want to work. After this
21 hurricane -- there will be a need for both,
22 employers in different sectors and people that
23 want to go to work.

24 LEGISLATOR WINK: So these successful
25 job fairs, these were hosted by tweetmyjob.com?

2 MR. BRODERICK: No, it was not. We're
3 looking at this as another resource.

4 Similarly, we have many contracts that
5 the county engages with local vendors. We sent
6 out invitations inviting them to come to
7 participate in job fairs. This is going to be a
8 virtual job fair, essentially.

9 LEGISLATOR WINK: That we're paying for,
10 as opposed to a free job fair.

11 MR. BRODERICK: Well, our view is a
12 little bit more long term. We're trying to look
13 at the long term benefits of not only people that
14 are receiving public assistance and getting them
15 off of the public assistance rolls, but for any
16 county resident. At the end of the day it
17 increases sales tax, it increases the well being
18 of the neighborhoods. That's what we're
19 envisioning. So it's another resource.

20 LEGISLATOR WINK: Look. I understand
21 all of that. But you're talking about successful
22 job fairs that the county has held over the past
23 year that didn't involve paying, at a minimum,
24 \$35,000 a year to a website that we haven't used
25 until now. I'm just trying to understand. If

2 we've had successful job fairs without paying our
3 share, which would be about \$35,000 even with the
4 65 percent reimbursement, why are we now throwing
5 money at this that we've had successful job fairs
6 without?

7 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: First,
8 I think it's well worthwhile, \$35,000, to be
9 spending to get people back to work. One person
10 comes off the welfare rolls to work, it's worth
11 the \$35,000 right there.

12 Secondly, you have small businesses --

13 LEGISLATOR WINK: We could hire somebody
14 for \$35,000 and achieve the same goal.

15 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: No you
16 can't.

17 LEGISLATOR WINK: If that's the goal.

18 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: Do you
19 see what our benefit costs are? We're not hiring
20 anybody for \$35,000.

21 LEGISLATOR WINK: You get my point, Rob.

22 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: I do.
23 I understand.

24 LEGISLATOR WINK: We're not paying any
25 other job service for this. We're inviting

2 people in for free and we're successful with it,
3 and now we're going to start paying for the same
4 services.

5 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: I wish
6 it was just as simple as bringing somebody on.
7 You have small businesses that have to pay, many
8 of them have to pay to go on and provide
9 advertisements on Monster and other things.
10 Depending on what their company and what they
11 have, it costs money. This is an opportunity we
12 believe is appropriate to take at this measure.
13 Yes, do we wish we didn't have to spend \$35,000
14 on it and we were getting it for free? I do.
15 Who wouldn't? We just think at this time it's
16 the right thing to do, put some people to work
17 and try some opportunities.

18 There's too many people, before the storm
19 and now after the storm, that are unemployed.
20 You have less and less businesses that are
21 actually going to hire people. Let's provide an
22 avenue by which they can see something through.

23 LEGISLATOR WINK: Again, all those goals
24 are laudable and I agree with all of them. I
25 understand the welfare of the work concept, and I

2 think that's a great goal for our county. I just
3 don't know that we need to be paying for
4 something that we've been successful without.

5 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: I don't
6 think we're as successful as we all want to be.
7 I think now it's even going to be harder. You're
8 going to have companies that aren't going to come
9 that came to previous job fairs because they no
10 longer exist. You just go down to the south
11 shore of Nassau County, certain areas they have
12 not one business that's going to remain open.
13 We're hoping that they get to open next year for
14 their summer season.

15 LEGISLATOR WINK: But we're expecting
16 them to advertise on tweetmyjob.com.

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: But
18 other people will. Other people will advertise
19 that aren't advertising now because it's not
20 going to cost them anything. It's going to help
21 move people until those other jobs and
22 opportunities. These people aren't looking for
23 jobs.

24 LEGISLATOR WINK: I hope you're right.

25 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: I hope

2 so too.

3 LEGISLATOR WINK: It just seems like a
4 waste of money to be going down this road. But I
5 hope you're right.

6 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Is just for
7 Nassau County?

8 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: This is
9 for Nassau County residents. We're going to open
10 up a resource center. We're going to open up a
11 job center. Social services is in the process of
12 completing that and also looking at additional
13 grant opportunities.

14 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
15 questions? Legislator Bosworth.

16 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Where is this
17 based out of?

18 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: Where
19 is --

20 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Tweetmyjobs.com?
21 Is this a Nassau County firm? Is it a California
22 firm?

23 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: They're
24 all over. The company, I believe -- I don't even
25 know what the gentleman's name is, where he is

2 exactly located. The corporate office is in
3 California. But they're going to be local, on
4 the ground here. Again, it's going to be for
5 Nassau County residents. They're going to put
6 soldiers on the ground.

7 I could only say and speak of where it
8 worked, and it's worked in other places.

9 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Right. In other
10 words, how do the job, people who have jobs
11 available, how do they get to Tweetmyjobs.com?

12 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE WALKER: They
13 build a database. I'll have Commissioner
14 Eisenstein give you a little backdrop on that.

15 MR. EISENSTEIN: Hi. Ed Eisenstein, IT
16 Commissioner.

17 They collect the jobs, Tweetmyjobs
18 collects a series of job and they advertise it to
19 people who are interested. It becomes a keyword
20 search in the collection of available jobs.

21 The big advantage here is that your local
22 pizza shop, local electrician who generally does
23 not advertise the available work he has would be
24 able to advertise this work, be it short term,
25 long term, in this free channel. That's what

2 makes it unique to Monster, where a business
3 would want to pay for advertising to hire people
4 or pay some kind of fee to post their job. This
5 is a post your job for free. Where it has
6 worked, it has brought a low jobs for lower
7 income people because they haven't generally seen
8 advertisement like this. Where the local pizza
9 shop can say I need somebody for the summer or
10 for a few weeks. And that is the new item that
11 is coming to the table here.

12 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: So the big
13 differentiation really then is that if you're
14 going to -- if perspective employers are going to
15 be on a site they have to pay to do it, and at
16 tweetmyjobs.com they can put on and not have to
17 pay for it.

18 MR. EISENSTEIN: That is exactly
19 correct. Most businesses will pay \$400 monthly
20 to advertise a job posting on Newsday. This is
21 the same thing at no cost. So we really see an
22 exponential growth out of this advertising, for
23 especially the storm stricken area, to put people
24 to work even if for a week, month or so.

25 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: That's an

2 important differentiation.

3 MR. EISENSTEIN: Thank you.

4 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Thank you.

5 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
6 questions?

7 (No verbal response.)

8 There being none. Any public comment?

9 (No verbal response.)

10 All those in favor of the Item 129
11 indicate by saying aye.

12 (Aye.)

13 Any opposed?

14 (Nay.)

15 Five to two -- no. Six to one. Six in
16 favor, one opposed. It carries.

17 Thank you, Mr. Eisenstein. Thank you,
18 Mr. Broderick.

19 MR. EISENSTEIN: Thank you, Legislator.

20 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: You're welcome.

21 Now we have a series of items.

22 I'm going to ask if it's okay with you
23 that we can block the B item, then, of course,
24 have the appropriate personnel to speak on them.

25 Items B-31-12, B-32-12, B-33-12, B-34-12.

2 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.

3 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.

4 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
5 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator Kopel.

6 Who is here to talk on these items?
7 Shila, are you coming? Do you want to ask
8 questions on anyone of these in particular or you
9 can just briefly summarize what these are about.
10 How about doing that, Shila, and then if there
11 are questions they can ask you.

12 COMMISSIONER SHAH: Sure. The four
13 contracts that you mentioned are with Eldor,
14 Entech, Laser, and Pollicico. I'm sorry. Eldor,
15 Entech, Pollicico, and RJ Industries. They are
16 contractors who assisted us from the very first
17 day at the Bay Park Treatment Plant. The
18 emergency contract covers items such as
19 electrical work, work at the collection systems,
20 supply and installation of pumps, and all types
21 of general construction work at Bay Park, as well
22 as working on each part of the process as needed
23 to assess the process that went from the grit
24 tanks to the primary cetaleen tanks. We needed
25 to drain the tanks and inspect them, bring them

2 back up for service. We need to inspect the
3 sludge collection mechanical equipment. Each
4 part of the process these contractors were
5 involved, whether it was from a general
6 construction point of view -- as far as when they
7 initially got there, they needed to pump out the
8 rooms, dry the rooms so that all this stuff could
9 be inspected, to getting the equipment back
10 online.

11 Also, Pocillico did work on the breach on
12 Barns Avenue where the manhole failed and the
13 pavement failed.

14 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: I'm assuming that
15 all of these are reimbursable.

16 COMMISSIONER SHAH: Yes.

17 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Because they are
18 related to Super Storm Sandy.

19 COMMISSIONER SHAH: Yeah. They are all
20 temporary and emergency measures. We're going to
21 claim this all on the FEMA project worksheets.

22 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
23 questions? Legislator Jacobs.

24 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Commissioner, we're
25 looking at all four of these. We realize it's

2 important and we realize they're reimbursable.
3 But you may want to amend these to state that an
4 extension period must come back to the
5 legislature to extend the contract term. In
6 other words, we need you to tell us when you
7 extend it and the update of the status of the
8 item. Because the way it is right now, it
9 doesn't seem to be in here, it's not clear what
10 will happen. When is its closing date? And if
11 there is none, we should have an idea of how it's
12 going along.

13 COMMISSIONER SHAH: Well, a lot of this
14 work was for the temporary and emergency work
15 that needed to be done from the first day and
16 will continue on to the end of the year.
17 However, permanent work and mitigation measures
18 that we're going to implement at Bay Park that
19 has to be big out. This contract is not going to
20 be utilized for permanent mitigation measures.

21 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: The only thing I'd
22 end with then is that we only ask that if you do
23 extend these particular four contracts, I would
24 only -- am I correct? I would only ask that if
25 you do extend these particular four contracts

2 that you either come before the legislature or
3 send a memo to all of the people on Rules as to
4 why they're being extended and updates as to
5 where they are.

6 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: You said that
7 this work is going to be completed by the end of
8 the year?

9 COMMISSIONER SHAH: I believe the
10 termination date on these contracts should be the
11 end of the year. These contracts were used, like
12 I said, for temporary emergency work. Anything
13 we do for permanent work has to be bid out
14 through a regular procurement process otherwise
15 it's not reimbursable.

16 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Could you give us
17 an update on these contracts just to see where
18 they are and whether or not they have completed
19 their mission?

20 COMMISSIONER SHAH: Currently, we do
21 still have these contractors on, some at reduced
22 levels than others. But there are quite a bit of
23 electrical components that still need to be
24 evaluated. Are you asking me to give you the
25 update now or do you want me to come back?

2 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Come back.

3 COMMISSIONER SHAH: Come back. Oh, I'm
4 sorry. That's fine. We can always give you an
5 update when we feel the temporary and emergency
6 measures are complete.

7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: If, for any
8 reason, they are extended we should know that as
9 well.

10 COMMISSIONER SHAH: Sure. We can do
11 that.

12 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Okay.

13 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Only just to tag
14 onto what you're saying. On each of them there
15 is a term that says this is an emergency contract
16 that expires on December 31 of this year and can
17 be extended to complete restoration at the
18 discretion of the commissioner, which I fully
19 understand. This is a very unusual
20 circumstances. But I agree with the presiding
21 officer, that if it is extended we should know
22 the status it's up to and why.

23 COMMISSIONER SHAH: We can do that.

24 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Okay. Thank you.

25 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other

2 questions?

3 (No verbal response.)

4 There being none. All those in favor of
5 these items please indicate by saying aye.

6 (Aye.)

7 Any opposed?

8 (No verbal response.)

9 The items pass unanimously.

10 Now we have the A contracts here, the A
11 items, contracts. I don't know if you would like
12 to call them in bulk. Okay. With your
13 permission, we're doing it.

14 A-42-12, A-42B-12, A-42C-12, A42D-12,
15 A42E-12, A42F-12, A-42G-12, A-42H-12, A-42I-12,
16 A-42J-12, A-42K-12, A A-42L-12, A-42M-12, A42N-
17 12.

18 Motion, please?

19 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.

20 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.

21 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
22 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator Kopel.

23 Who is here to speak on these items?

24 COMMISSIONER INTAGLIATA: Hi. Good
25 afternoon. Commissioner Intagliata, Shared

2 Services.

3 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Okay. Welcome.

4 COMMISSIONER INTAGLIATA: These were
5 purchases for Super Storm Sandy that exceeded
6 \$100,000 and we need you to ratify. According to
7 Charter Number 103-8B, these were made under the
8 emergency procurement provisions and they are
9 listed before you.

10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Again, I would
11 assume since they're related to Super Storm Sandy
12 that they are reimbursable.

13 COMMISSIONER INTAGLIATA: Yes, they are.
14 They are FEMA reimbursable.

15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any questions of
16 Mr. Intagliata?

17 (No verbal response.)

18 Anybody?

19 (No verbal response.)

20 Wow. No questions.

21 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: How do you like
22 that?

23 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: That's super
24 dooper.

25 All those in favor of these items signify

2 by saying aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 Any opposed?

5 (No verbal response.)

6 We're not finished. We have one item. I

7 know we're not going to end on a high note.

8 You're just in time, but you're not on this

9 committee anyway.

10 We're going to call 687-12, which is the

11 bond ordinance for 165 regarding the ordinance

12 that we had discussed yesterday.

13 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.

14 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.

15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: We have a motion

16 by Legislator Kopel, seconded by Legislator

17 Kopel.

18 Any discussion?

19 (No verbal response.)

20 Any comments regarding this?

21 (No verbal response.)

22 If not, all those in favor signify by

23 saying aye.

24 (Aye.)

25 Those against or opposed?

2 (Nay.)

3 So we've got four to three regarding the
4 bond ordinance 687-12.

5 It does pass and we will pass it on to
6 the Full Leg at the appropriate time.

7 First of all, I say thank you to all of
8 you who have been really patient out there,
9 sitting there and waiting until we get our ducks
10 in a row here. I believe the Minority is here
11 and we are ready to go back to the items of the
12 capital plan and the capital budget. We did
13 finish the Rules.

14 We need to adjourn the Rules.

15 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.

16 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.

17 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: All those in
18 favor of adjourning the Rules Committee signify
19 by saying aye.

20 (Aye.)

21 Okay. Any opposed?

22 (No verbal response.)

23 The motion to adjourn carries
24 unanimously.

25 Thank you.

2 (Whereupon, the Rules Committee adjourned
3 at 5:42 p.m.)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, FRANK GRAY, a Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of New York, do hereby state:

THAT I attended at the time and place above mentioned and took stenographic record of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter;

THAT the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate transcript of the same and the whole thereof, according to the best of my ability and belief.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 5th day of December, 2012.

FRANK GRAY